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Favorable reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

According to the outstanding Office Action, Claims 6-8 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 6 has therefore been cancelled and the subject matter thereof has been incorporated into Claim 1. Claim 8 has been rewritten in independent form and Claim 7 depends from Claim 1. All of these claims are therefore believed to be allowable.

Since the remaining claims have been cancelled without prejudice to the filing of a continuation application directed thereto, the present application is believed to be in a condition for allowance. A notice of allowability is therefore respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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